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REVIEW OF SEMI-ANNUAL MONITORING REPORT – WESTLANDS COALITION

The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Board) has received the Semi-Annual Monitoring Report (SAMR) from Westlands Coalition (Coalition) covering the period from 1 May 2007 through 31 October 2007. The Semi-Annual report was dated 31 December 2007, and was received on 28 December 2007.

Regional Board staff has reviewed the SAMR to evaluate the document for the required reporting elements detailed in Resolution R5-2006-0053, to evaluate the document for the technical and reporting requirements set forth in both the Monitoring and Reporting Program No. R5-2005-0833 for Coalition Groups (MRP) and the Coalition's Monitoring and Reporting Program Plan (MRP Plan), and to assess the conclusions and recommendations presented in the report. Since the streams being monitored are ephemeral and therefore do not contain flows during the dry season, Westlands Coalition did not collect samples during this reporting period. This review discusses both administrative and compliance aspects of the SAMR.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND COMPLIANCE ASPECTS

The SAMR was evaluated for the presence and completeness of several key components as described in the MRP, including: a description of the watershed, monitoring objectives, sampling site descriptions, a location map including sampling sites, actions taken to address identified water quality impacts from agricultural discharges, and conclusions and recommendations. Complete photo-monitoring results were provided with the SAMR. Given that sample collection did not occur during this reporting period, other components of the SAMR were not required, including sampling and analytical methods, tabulated results, chain-of-custody forms, quality control sample results, data interpretation and exceedance reports.

The required components of the SAMR were completely and satisfactorily addressed by the Coalition. The following two items are provided as direction for the Coalition as their monitoring program continues this year.

Item 1: During the 2007 irrigation season, the Coalition conducted photo monitoring at the previous Panoche Silver-Creek monitoring site located east of I-5. The purpose was to

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confirm that a prior discharge in the creek had ceased. The 2007 irrigation season photos in the SAMR show that this is the case. The Coalition can discontinue photo monitoring at this location.

Item 2: During the 2006 storm season, the Coalition had two EC exceedances at the Panoche Silver-Creek monitoring site and during the current storm season there has been one EC exceedance at this site. Based on these results, the Coalition is required to prepare a management plan to address this constituent in Panoche Silver-Creek. Upon completion of the current storm season monitoring period (April 2008), the Coalition must initiate development of the management plan for EC, as well as any other constituent that has more than one exceedance, based on all monitoring results to date.